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HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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RURAL HEALTH CARE IN UTTARANCHAL
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have formulated any special programme to provide proper health care facilities in the rural areas of the newly created State of Uttaranchal;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OFHEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a)to(c): The Union Government has initiated a number of innovative interventions to provide better health care facility in the rural areas of the State of Uttaranchal.

1) Under the Pradhan Mantri Gramodyaya Yojana, specific provisioning has been made towards repairs and renovation of the public health infrastructure, purchasing of drugs and essential consumable, and contingencies etc.

2) Under IPP VIII projects the Logistic system in the state is being improved to ensure better availability of drugs, vaccines in Sub-centres, PHCs & other health facilities in the peripheral areas & will reduce damage to these items, during storage & distribution.Out of 3 drugs warehouses, two have been constructed & one is under progress.

3) Under the Reproductive & Child Health Programme, the following steps are being taken to strengthen the primary health care facilities:

- Major Civil Works for repair/construction of OT/Labour Room/upgrading water/ Electric supply.
- Provision of equipments/medicine for emergency, obstetrics at selected first referral units.
- Financial assistance for contractual appointments/hiring of Anaesthetists/ Gynaecologists etc. wherever not available.
- Skill based in-service training for capacity building of ANMs and other health functionaries.
- Pulse Polio Immunization.

4) The State has been included under Empowered Action Group (EAG) to give special focus on addressing the unmet needs for basic & essential services in the State.

5) The Sector Investment Programme (SIP), funded by European Commission is being implemented to improve the health care infrastructure in the State.